



Clark County Commission on Aging
Webex Remote Meeting
Vancouver, Washington

Work Session Notes

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Members Present: Chuck Green (Chair), Franklin Johnson (Vice Chair), Nancy Dong, Cass Freedland, Amy Gross, Meghan McCarthy, Larry Smith, Tanya Stewart, Pam Wheeler

Absent:

Staff: Jacqui Kamp, Jenna Kay

1. Aug 18 meetings

- There were no suggested edits to the meeting notes.

2. Silver Citizen Award

- **ACTION ITEM: The subcommittee recommended reviewing the Silver Citizen Award criteria to make it more specific for next year**
- The subcommittee shared their recommendation with the group
- The group planned to make a motion regarding the recommendation at the regular meeting

3. Public comment debrief from previous meeting

- Chuck introduced a proposal for a new standing agenda item to follow-up on public comments heard meetings. He proposed using the following questions as a structure.
 - Where to from here?
 - Any follow-up research or conversations with county or state staff?
 - Any questions for the commenter?
- Property tax recommendation from Mr. Housley
 - Proposal to invite the county assessor to the next month's work session for a 10-minute discussion
 - General support for proposed approach
 - Recollection in previously forward comments that the county didn't have capacity to make the updates more frequently
 - Recommendation to come up with questions for assessor, i.e. to learn about about the impacts on the community, interest in seeing numbers
 - **ACTION ITEM: staff to schedule meeting with assessor, Chair and Vice Chair. At that meeting, Chuck and Franklin will ask for 10-minute item on next month's work session.**



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4. 2022 Work Plan update

- Aging Readiness Plan proposal
 - General support on proposal presented by subcommittee
 - Thinking the ask may need to be higher than \$50k
 - Interest in updated maps to help show gaps and barriers
 - **ACTION ITEM: Plan to make a motion at the October meeting to submit the budget request**
- 2022 Focus proposal
 - The subcommittee provided an update with a proposed focus and refined approach to implementing a survey before the end of the year
 - Propose focus topic: Innovation through connectivity
 - Proposed approach:
 - Survey: 4-6 questions. Some focused. Some open/broad.
 - Questions will explore how organizations and people are currently connecting with one another in time of COVID and explore the barriers in connecting with one another.
 - Want survey to help us better understand gaps and ultimately select a few big things we will then dive into as a commission in 2022, putting together conversations with others through our meetings, connecting resources together as a commission, and thinking about larger ways to fund these ideas in the future.
 - Want to really stand out in connecting people, resources and people together.
 - Clarified that the subcommittee is recommending broadening survey reach to include both service providers and individuals. At a previous meeting, the committee was talking about a focus on volunteers, but after talking with Christina, the committee is now recommending a broader approach
 - Commission members were ok with subcommittee to begin on next steps to draft survey and develop a roll-out plan.
 - **Proposed timeline & ACTION ITEMS:**
 - **By October COA meeting:**
 - Draft survey questions
 - Get feedback within subcommittee
 - Get feedback from AAADSW Advisory Council (via Christina Marneris)
 - Get feedback from full COA
 - Create list of organizations and people to send survey to
 - Set-up press/communication plan, i.e. Columbian
 - Get survey out and responses back by the end of the year
 - **ACTION ITEM: At October meeting, will request motion to approve survey questions and launch**

5. **Next Meeting:** October 20, 2021 – 3:30pm.

6. **Adjournment:** The work session adjourned at 4:25 pm.

The Clark County Commission on Aging provides leadership in community engagement and advocacy of Clark County's Aging Readiness Plan, especially for those 65 and over who plan to age in place.